AMENDMENT TO H.R. 1104, AS REPORTED OFFERED BY MR. CARTER OF TEXAS

Add at the end the following:

1	SEC FEASIBILITY STUDY FOR A SYSTEM OF BACK-
2	GROUND CHECKS FOR VOLUNTEERS.
3	(a) Study Required.—The Attorney General shall
4	conduct a feasibility study within 120 days after the date
5	of the enactment of this Act. The study shall examine,
6	to the extent discernible, the following:
7	(1) The current state of fingerprint capture and
8	processing at the State and local level, including the
9	current available infrastructure, State system capac-
10	ities, and the time for each State to process a civil
11	or volunteer print from the time of capture to sub-
12	mission to the Federal Bureau of Investigation
13	(FBI).
14	(2) The intent of the States concerning partici-
15	pation in a nationwide system of criminal back-
16	ground checks to provide information to qualified
17	entities.
18	(3) The number of volunteers, employees, and
19	other individuals that would require a fingerprint
20	based criminal background check.



1	(4) The impact on the FBI's Integrated Auto-
2	mated Fingerprint Identification System (IAFIS) in
3	terms of capacity and impact on other users of the
4	system, including the effect on FBI work practices
5	and staffing levels.
6	(5) The current fees charged by the FBI
7	States and local agencies, and private companies to
8	process fingerprints.
9	(6) The existence of "model" or best practice
10	programs which could easily be expanded and dupli-
11	cated in other States.
12	(7) The extent to which private companies are
13	currently performing background checks and the
14	possibility of using private companies in the future
15	to perform any of the background check process, in
16	cluding, but not limited to, the capture and trans
17	mission of fingerprints and fitness determinations.
18	(8) The cost of development and operation of
19	the technology and the infrastructure necessary to
20	establish a nationwide fingerprint based and other
21	criminal background check system.
22	(9) Any other information deemed relevant by
23	the Department of Justice.
24	(b) REPORT.—Based on the findings of the feasibility

25 $\,$ study, the Attorney General shall, not later than 120 days



- 1 after the date of the enactment of this Act, submit to Con-
- 2 gress a report, including recommendations, which may in-
- 3 clude a proposal for grants to the States to develop or
- 4 improve programs to collect fingerprints and perform
- 5 background checks on individuals that seek to volunteer
- 6 with organizations that work with children, the elderly, or
- 7 the disabled.

